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In re Application of: :  
Yamada, *et al.* :  
Application No. 10/046,739 :  
Filed: January 17, 2002 :  
For: THIN-FILM CRYSTAL WAFER :  
HAVING PN JUNCTION AND :  
METHOD FOR FABRICATING THE :  
WAFER :

DECISION ON PETITION TO  
WITHDRAW HOLDING OF  
ABANDONMENT

This is a decision on the petition filed on August 20, 2003, to withdraw the holding of abandonment of the above-identified application. A petition fee is not required.

The petition is **granted**.

Petitioner asserts that the Office action of November 20, 2002, was not received. The petition included a statement from the practitioner that the undersigned made a complete search of the file jacket and docketing records to establish non-receipt of the Office action. In addition, the petition included a copy of the docket records of the practitioner where the non-received Office action would have been entered had it been received by the practitioner.

A review of the written record indicates no irregularity in the mailing of the Office action, and in the absence of any irregularity there is a strong presumption that the Office action was properly mailed to practitioner at the address of record. This presumption may be overcome by a showing that the Office action was not in fact received. The showing required to establish the failure to receive an Office action must include a statement from the practitioner stating that the Office action was not received by the practitioner and attesting to the fact that a search of the file jacket and docket records indicates that the Office action was not received. A copy of the docket record where the non-received Office action would have been entered had it been received and docketed must be attached to and referenced in practitioner's statement. See "Withdrawing the Holding of Abandonment When Office Actions Are Not Received" 1156 Official Gazette 53 (November 16, 1993) and M.P.E.P. ' 711.03(c).

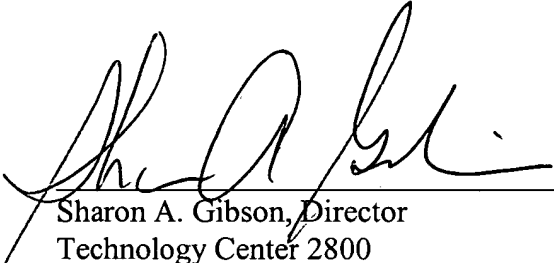
The petition satisfies the above-stated requirements. Accordingly, the application was not abandoned in fact.

For the above stated reason, the petition is granted. The Notice of Abandonment is hereby vacated and the holding of abandonment withdrawn. The application is restored to pending status.

The application file is being forwarded to the Technology Center 2800 support staff for re-mailing of the November 20, 2002, Office action. The statutory periods for response set therein will be reset to run three months from the date the Office action is re-mailed.

The \$130.00 petition fee charged to applicant's account will be credited to applicant's deposit account no. 02-2448.

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